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The Baptists.

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In Jarvis street a church which will be the
chief ornament of the eastern part of the
city, and which will be well worthy of
taking its place side by side with the
Metropolitan and the new St. Andrew's
Church that is destined to adorn the
southeastern corner made by King and
Simcoe streets. The Baptists are an un-
ostentatious body, yet they have in their
time fought great battles and done good
work, and equipped more than one sol-
dier for the great fight with evil, whose
genius was of so large and brilliant char-
acter that the whole of Protestant Chris-
tendom made them their own. We do not
think that we are using exaggerated
language when we say that John Bunyan
was worth nearly all the theologians that
ever lived, outside of the inspired prophe-
ts and apostles; and among preachers
Robert Hall rose to a height which both
in regard to his predecessors and con-
temporaries, and up to the present, his
successors proclaim him the eagle of
pulpit orators. They are, too, an en-
ergetic body, and have always been among
the foremost pioneers of the Cross. Carey
was a Baptist—a Baptist shoemaker—who,
laughing at the proverb that the shoe-
maker should not go beyond his last, and
defying the wit of Sydney Smith, went
forth to proclaim the Gospel to the
millions of India at a time when no man
cared for them beyond growing rich out
of them. One man full of energy and
eloquence devoted his life to the negro
of Jamaica, nor need we be surprised that
in the States and among ourselves the
missionary activity of the Baptists is
catholic in its aims, and makes itself felt
in all directions. In the struggle for
civil and religious liberty, their sect and
the name of their leaders were well
known, and many of them could say with
the glorious dreamer, "I was had home to
prison," so familiar were they with the
back parlour of the ignorant magistrate
and the dark and poisonous air of the
prison dungeon. No body of Christians
has had to struggle against so much igno-
rant ridicule, so much undeserved obloquy,
so much malicious misrepresentation;
while the odium rightly belonging to
another body in Germany with which
they had nothing in common, save a
portion of their views on baptism, has
been many a time attached to them.

Throughout the world at the present
time the number of members of the Baptist
Churches is two millions, and in or-
der to get the number of Baptists in prin-
ciple—for saintship is not transmitted—
we should multiply this by five. Of the
two million members by far the greater
portion is in the United States, where
they number 1,500,000; England stands
next, having 180,000; Wales next, the
figure there standing at 56,000; and so on;
British North America having 47,000; the
West Indies, 23,000; Germany, 20,000;
Burmah, 19,000; Sweden, 10,000; Scot-
land, 7,150; India, 7,000, and so on. There
is not a spot from Mexico eastward to
China, from Finland to South Australia,
where where we shall not find the Bap-
tists at work. In England the number of
churches is 2,000; in the States, 18,500; in
Wales, 522; in the Dominion of Canada,
640; in Burmah, 365; and so in proportion
all over. India is the great Baptist mis-
sion field, and there we find 47 churches
and 115 stations. They have a Bible
Translation Society of their own, for the
circulation of those translations from
from which the British and Foreign Bible
Society has withdrawn its assistance on
the ground that the words relating to the
ordinance of baptism had been translated
by words signifying immersion. They
have 10 colleges in Great Britain, at which
an average of 212 students attend; and
in addition to the General Baptist Mission-
ary Society, there are special missionary
societies intended to work in all parts
of the world. Mr. Spurgeon is, we need not
say, a Baptist, and he is not the only able
preacher in the Denomination, though,
with that strange capacity the Baptist de-
nomination has had for producing emi-
nence, he is undoubtedly the greatest
preacher in the world. Progress marks
it in all directions, the character of which
may be judged from the statistics in the
United States, where it is largest in its
representation. In 1784 there were in the
United States 471 churches, and 424 min-
isters, and 35,101 members of churches;
in 1871 there were 18,397 churches, 12,013
ministers, and 1,189,191 members of
churches, which represent something like
six or seven millions of Baptists.

In Canada they have their churches,
and Sunday schools, and missions, all at-
tended with increasing success; ministers
from every quarter reporting that some of
their congregation have been led "to fol-
low in the path of obedience," while "the
sinews of war"—the income—seems to be
in a satisfactory condition. At the Cana-
dian Literary Institute, at Woodstock,
many efficient ministers have been edu-
cated. The number of conventions, so-
cieties, associations, indicates great activity
of zeal. It is not our province here to
discuss the great distinguishing doctrine
of the Baptists—to wit, that the only true
form of baptism is immersion, and the

only fit subjects for it adults who can be
said to have a reasonable faith in the
Gospel. Strict Baptists will not even sit
at the same communion table with "un-
baptised" persons—that is to say, persons
who have not been immersed. In Eng-
land, and, we believe, in the States and
here, the great majority of Baptists are
moderate Calvinists, who preach the doc-
trine of grace and yet appeal vigorously
to sinners. As we have said, the denomi-
nation is making progress amongst our-
selves, and whether or not we consider
that their views on the question of bap-
tism are sustained by scholarship, by an-
cient practice, by Scripture, and by reason,
we cannot rejoice in their advance;
because from the nature of things and
the teaching of history we cannot avoid
the conclusion that this most democratic
of sects—for each church is complete in
itself and ruled by universal suffrage—
will have no other than a healthy influence
on the spiritual, moral, and civic life of
the nation.

From Rev. Sylvanus Cobb, of Boston,
formerly Editor of the "Christian
Freeman."

Dear Sir—It may be some satisfaction
to you to be informed of the result of the
trial of the PERUVIAN SYRUP in my family.
My daughter was brought low by a ty-
phoid fever last Spring, and after the fever
left her she continued very weak, and the
simplest food distressed her. For months
she remained in the same debilitated con-
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the digestive functions improved, and she
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SYRUP for severe Coughs, Colds settled
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Jail

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MR. EELMOCKEN
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The subjects will include those taught in the Pub-
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CLASSES FOR YOUNG LADIES WILL
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A class for boys under 8 years of age will also be
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A FREE PRESS.

A free Press is the parent of much good in the State. It is the medium through which the views of every class and section of a community are disseminated, and their capacity for understanding and appreciating public questions of importance correspondingly limited. If men were all one way of thinking; if, like casting from the founder's hands, the human mind was formed all in one mould, the *genus homo* would become dull, spiritless, unprogressive; a mere machine, destitute alike of ambition and common sense. Deprive man of the power of expressing his views and you would convert him into a tool, who, accepting things as they are, asks no questions and thanks God, like the man in the play, "that I am what I am." Deprive him of the right of free speech, free thought and free discussion and you make of him a slave, possessed of all the attributes of a man without enjoying the privileges dearest to the human heart. That country prospers most whose Press is the freest. England, the greatest and freest nation on the face of the earth, owes her greatness to the perfectly untrammelled condition of her Press. There a newspaper may express its sentiments on any and every subject without fear of consequences so long as its articles be couched in proper terms. There is no subject that does not come within the scope of legitimate criticism; hence, it is quite common to find a portion of the Press of Great Britain interesting itself for peace, while the nation is engaged in war, without incurring popular censure or Government prosecution. There is no Estate of the Kingdom more jealously guarded by popular opinion than the Fourth Estate. Tremendous sacrifices were made before the Press attained to its present position; and its freedom will not be lightly parted with. Even a licentious press is a far less evil than a press that is enslaved; because both sides may be heard in the former case, but not in the latter. John Bright, in one of his matchless speeches, declared that the power and greatness of Great Britain were to be attributed more to the perfect freedom of her Press than to any other cause; and we all know the rough treatment John Bright received from a hostile Press in the outset of his political career. Misgovernment begins by depriving a man of his rights and ends by depriving him of the power of appreciating the value of that which he has lost. A gag placed on the Press would be the first step to pull down the liberties of its people. Napoleon III. maintained himself in power as an absolute ruler over enlightened France by clapping a muzzle on the Press. The moment he removed the muzzle the long pent-up feelings of the people found expression through the Press and the days of the Napoleonic dynasty were soon numbered. Tyranny has ever taken a back seat where the Press had a fair field. History is filled with examples.

The policy of this paper has always been to invite the fullest discussion on every subject. The man does not live in Victoria whose communication on any public topic has been refused insertion herein because his views were not in accord with the politics of THE COLONIST. We believe it is only through hearing all sides that the truth is arrived at by the public. Polemics are often encouraged by one set of writers for the purpose of pointing out the errors of those opposed to them. A poor old fellow once exclaimed in the bitterness of spirit, "Oh! that mine enemy would write a book." Why? Because he wanted to get his adversary in a tight place—to have something on record to trip him up with. He felt that he could meet and combat successfully with an enemy who wrote what he thought; but he could not make head against unwritten slanders. Now, we always welcome letters even from political opponents. To deny the use of these columns for the expression of every shade of public sentiment would be to deny to a very large number of persons in this community the right to be heard. Whether we agree with the writers is another matter entirely. When Lord Carnarvon's dispatch came to hand the other day we said "it is idle to speculate" as to its contents; while we hoped for the best, we asked the country to be prepared for something less than, most assuredly, they have a right to expect. If, however, members of this community see fit to "speculate" and ask us to insert their thoughts, surely we can venture to do so without being told that we are perpetrating a public wrong. If any man in this country thinks he can propose a solution for our present difficulties we shall be happy to afford him an opportunity to air his scheme. Separation we regard as the *denier resort*; and before British Columbians consent to take the "leap in the dark" they will want to be informed if there is not some other and more practicable way of securing their rights. Perhaps Lord Carnarvon will suggest that way. We sincerely hope that he will; but while anxiously awaiting his reply should any citizen feel "moved" to "speculate" he will find us not indisposed to give him a hearing. This, in our opinion, is the true mission of a free Press. A Press enslaved by fear of consequences may cause error to be more current than wisdom, and wrong more powerful than right. It takes away the true light and sets up a false one that decoys to destruction.

SLANDER.

The public were shown by irrefutable evidence on Sunday that the editor and proprietor of THE COLONIST was innocent of the *Standard's* malevolent charge of meeting Leathers and Thorp in Oakland and there planning the stone swindle. Telegrams from a number of parties were published showing the utter untruthfulness and absolute impossibility of the *Standard's* statements. Under the circumstances the wronging party, if possessed of even the minimum of good-breeding, would have openly apologized to the person aggrieved; but the cowardly fellow who edits the *Standard*, true his

menial instincts, adds to the notoriety of his traducing character by characterizing as *pals* and accomplices to the principals in a fraud all the parties who, unknowing of its object, had telegraphed the truth and vindicated the gentleman falsely accused. Amongst the telegrams we observe the name of a lady, and of gentlemen whose positions should entitle them to better consideration, than that they should be the objects of a vile slander by a depraved newspaper editor. It may be that the latter's miserable person will yet, by the lady's enraged husband, be made, under the cutting influences of a cowhiding, to feel convinced of the error of his ways and of the unhappy lot of evil doers, and be caused again to exclaim in the bitterness of his writing experience "there is nothing like leather." The slanderer is a dangerous member of a community; he should be exposed, shunned and despised. In newspaper strife great toleration is admissible; but when to support a lie and gain a point on an adversary wholesale slander affecting private character is resorted to, then the bounds of toleration are exceeded. These remarks are made, not in vindication of the position assumed by the editor of this paper; we are satisfied to abide with the general opinion on that subject. But we write in the public interest. If the blighter of character is allowed to pass unnoticed and unchallenged, whose reputation shall be safe while so base a press is controlled by so unprincipled an editor? Were justice dealt out proportionate to his deserts, were crime made to bear the full burden of its hideous guilt, there should be stamped in letters indelible on the brow of such an one the stigma "scoundrel."

New Advertisements.

ROCK BAY HOUSE

BETWEEN THE TWO BRIDGES,
ESQUIMALT ROAD.

ONE OF THE MOST COMFORTABLE
Wayside Houses in the Province; and being furnished with the very best

ALDS. WINES, LIQUORS & CIGARS

Is a favorite stopping-place for persons bound to and from Victoria.

My friends are invited to give me a call.

ja20 1m GUS. KOLP.

THEATRE ROYAL.

Lessee and Manager J. AL. SAWTELLE

FOR THIS NIGHT ONLY.

The grand emotional Actress and Songress

MISS ANNIE FIRMIN!

Will appear in her great original personation of Mercy Merrick, the New Magdalen.

Mr. JOHN JACK!

As Julian Gray, the Modern Clergyman, his original character.

TUESDAY, JAN. 30th,

The great modern lesson from Wilkie Collins' most wonderful story entitled the

NEW MAGDALEN!

Mercy Merrick.....Miss ANNIE FIRMIN
Julian Gray.....Mr. JOHN JACK

In rehearsal—The Child of the Regiment.
In preparation—Uttin' or the Big Bonanza.

RESERVED SEATS can be secured at C. E. Redfern's Jewellery Store without extra charge. ja30

GOAL! GOAL! GOAL!

THE SUBSCRIBER HAS FOR SALE

At Rhodes & Co.'s Wharf,

Coal from the Wellington Mine.

ja30 CAPT. WM. MOORE.

A CARD.

TO THE PUBLICS—The "Standard" of this morning asserts that I was arrested on Friday for contempt of Court and had given bail for my appearance. The statement is without the slightest foundation. As I intend to appeal to the law in vindication of my character from this and other outrageous and untruthful assertions concerning me that have appeared in the "Standard," I deem it unnecessary to say more at present except that my accusers will have the fullest opportunity afforded them of establishing the truth of their cowardly slanders directed at me while I was absent from the Province. In the meanwhile I ask a suspension of public opinion. Respectfully,

P. D. FORBES. ja28

NOTICE

IS hereby given that application will be made at the ensuing session of the Legislative Assembly for a Private Bill for the relief of Andrew Astacio.

Victoria, 27th January, 1877. ja28

Ex Princess Royal.

BASS' ALE

—AND—

GUINNESS' STOUT,

Bottled by CAMERON & SAUNDERS, in Splendid Condition.

FOR SALE BY FINDLAY, DURHAM & BRODIE, SOLE AGENTS.

Wharf Street, 26th Jan., 1877. ja28

DISSOLUTION.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 27, 1877.

THE PARTNERSHIP HERETOFORE existing between R. F. RILEY and JOHN F. SMITH as road-side house keepers on the Cassiar Trail, in this day dissolved by mutual consent. The business at the 23-Mile House, Cassiar Trail, will be carried on by J. F. SMITH, and the business at Kneecamp by R. F. RILEY.

(Signed) JOHN F. SMITH, E. F. RILEY. ja28dwl1m

PRELIMINARY NOTICE

It is proposed to offer for sale by Public Auction at the C. P. R. S. Camp, Kamloops, about the 1st of April next, three or four Trains of Pack Animals, principally Mules in good condition, with Apparages and Rigging complete.

Particulars will be published in due time.

JNO. ROBSON,

Paymaster and Purveyor,

C. P. R. S.

VICTORIA, B. C., 16th Jan., 1877. ja17d

New Advertisements.

NOTICE.

In the matter of the Estates and Effects of CHARLES PATRICK DONNELLY, JOHN MCCORMICK, and OLIVER HARRIS, deceased Intestates.

ALL PERSONS who are indebted to the above Estates are required to pay the amounts due forthwith, and all persons having claims against the said Estates are requested to send in their accounts, duly proved, on or before the 27th April, 1877, to CHAS. E. POOLEY, Official Administrator. ja28

Victoria, Jan. 27th, 1877.

Baynes Sound Colliery Co., Limited.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the above-named Company will be held at the Company's office, Langley street, Victoria, on Monday, February 5th, at 11 o'clock, a.m.

HERBERT GASTON, Secy. pro. tem. ja28

Victoria, Jan. 27th, 1877.

Appointments.

PROVINCIAL SECRETARY'S OFFICE, January 27th, 1877.

His Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor appointments:—

JOHN USHER, Esq., to be Government Agent at Kamloops.

JOHN USHER, Esq., to be Registrar under and to carry out the "Marriage Ordinance, 1867," and the "Marriage Ordinance Amendment Act, 1872."

JOHN USHER, Esq., to be District Registrar of Births, Deaths and Marriages, for the Polling Division of Kamloops.

JOHN USHER, Esq., to receive applications for Registration and Record, under the provisions of the "Land Registry Act, 1879," the "Land Registry Amendment Act, 1873," and to perform the duties heretofore allotted to the Stipendiary Magistrates under the "Bills of Sale Ordinance, 1870," the "Bills of Sale Amendment Act, 1873," and the "Cattle Exemption Act, 1871," in and for the Polling Division of Kamloops. ja28

North Western Commercial Company.

ALL PARTIES HAVING CLAIMS AGAINST the above Company are requested to render statements of the same to the undersigned, by whom they will be paid if found correct.

ENGELHARDT & CO. ja26dlw2w

Victoria, Jan. 26th, 1877.

TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS WILL BE RECEIVED at the City Council Chambers to Wednesday the 31st inst., at 4 o'clock p.m., for the construction of about 250 feet of Trestle Work and Planking at south side of James Bay.

Plans and specifications can be seen daily at the City Surveyor's Office, from 10 to 4 o'clock.

—ALSO—

SEPARATE TENDERS for breaking a quantity of Rock on McClure street (opposite the Reformed Church), at per cubic yard.

The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

WILLIAM LEIGH, C.M.C.

City Clerk's Office, Jan. 25th, 1877. ja26

EX PRINCESS ROYAL.

FROM LONDON

And other Recent Arrivals

RAISINS—Muscatels, Valencia, Sultanas.

CURRENTS—In bulk and in 14 lb tins.

NUTS—Almonds, Barcelonas, Brazils.

FIGS, PRUNES,

CONFECTIONERY in glass and in tin.

CHOCOLATE POWDER,

COCOA NIBS, SALAD OIL

CURR POWDER, OATMEAL,

PICKLES—Crosse & Blackwell's and Copland's.

CANDLES—Price's Belmont Sperm.

SPICES—Ground and Whole.

ULTRAMARINE BLUE,

FINE SALT, SANDWICH IS. RICE

BRANDY—In qtr. casks and in cases.

ALSO, IN STOCK,

A General Assortment of

English and American

Groceries.

FOR SALE BY RICHARD CARR. ja17 2p

CANADIAN GOODS!

BUTTER AND CHEESE of the very Best Quality.

TOBACCO, FLAVORING EXTRACTS.

WHISKY—Bourbon, Rye and Teddy.

FOR SALE BY

RICHARD CARR,

ja17 2p WHA F STREET.

GRAND BALL.

THE MEMBERS OF

Deluge Engine Co., No. 1,

WILL GIVE A

Grand Ball

On February 14th, at the

Philharmonic Hall,

TICKETS, admitting Gentleman and Ladies (including Supper), 82 50.

May be had from the following Committee:—H. D. Saunders, W. W. Nispe, F. Field, Frank Sehl, W. Harrison, W. Lohse and F. Saunders. ja18

MINERS' HOME,

FORT WRANGEL.

THE UNDERSIGNED BEGS LEAVE TO announce to his friends and the public generally that he has added to his buildings a

Large and Commodious House for the Accommodation of 200 Persons.

—ALSO—A BAKERY.

MEALS AT ALL HOURS.

U. SANDERSON. ja23

Victoria, Jan. 22, 1877.

Raffle for a Pair of Horses

TO YOUNG HORSES—ONE 3, THE other 4 years old, will be Raffle at the Grotto Saloon

So soon as all the tickets have been disposed of.

100 chances at \$1.

Tickets may be had at the Grotto. ja23

Victoria, B. C., 16th Jan., 1877.

New Advertisements.

A.CASAMAYOU & CO.

HAVE JUST RECEIVED

Per Princess Royal,

And Offer for Sale the following Goods:

French Mushrooms, Green Peas, Curacao de Hollands,

FRENCH WHITE WINE,

GRAVES, HAUT SAUTERNE, LOUPIAC, SAUTERNE.

Scotch Whiskey, in cases, "LONG JOHN."

Dunville Whiskey, (Very Old) in cases and ¼-casks.

Swaine, Boord's Old Tom, Port Wine.

Demerara and Jamaica Rum, in hogsheads and ¼-casks.

French Prunes, in 10 lb. tins, No. 4.

Cook's EXTRA YELLOW and MOTTLED SOAP, in 28 lb. boxes.

Worcestershire Sauce, in quarts and pints, (Lea & Perrins).

Sardines (Alberts.) C. & B. Pickles (quarts and pints.)

Extra Lucca Oil, (Salad) in ¼-casks.

Coleman's Mustard, (Double Superfine). Figs.

ALWAYS ON HAND A REGULAR SUPPLY OF

WINES, LIQUORS, GROCERIES, FRENCH CALF SKINS,

HAVANA CIGARS, Etc.

A. CASAMAYOU & CO.,

YATES STREET.

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CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VICTORIA, B. C.

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements from the 1st of January to the 31st December, 1876.

RECEIPTS.	DISBURSEMENTS.
Cash Balance 1st January.....\$ 500 08	Bills Payable.....\$ 719 00
Auctioneers' Rate.....5 25	City Police Boat.....2 00
Victoria Water Works.....1,300 00	Bridge Repairs.....285 00
City Pound.....376 50	Inte est and Sinking Fund V.W.W.....14,040 00
Trade Licenses.....9,540 00	Victoria Water Works.....10 00
Wholesale Liquor Licenses.....950 00	City Hall Designs.....300 00
Retail Liquor Licenses.....11,580 00	New Council Chambers, Government St.....603 89
Fire and Fire Insurance Rates.....2,791 81	City Pound.....281 40
Fire Insurance Direct Tax.....1,650 00	Fire Insurance Direct Tax.....1,589 90
Road Tax.....1,390 12	Victoria Fire Department.....2,980 39
Billiard Tables.....140 00	Yates Street Property, Engine House.....600 00
Weighing Machine.....51 75	Wholesale Liquor Licenses, Payments to Provincial Government.....190 00
City Police Court, Fines and Fees.....802 00	Retail do do.....1,890 00
Gravel Pits.....24 50	Discount on Silver.....138 00
Theatre Tax.....385 00	Census.....71 60
Thistles.....46 00	Weighing Machine.....372 80
House at Spring Ridge.....40 00	Dufferin Reception.....250 50
Royal Estate Tax.....24,627 03	City Police.....7,481 73
B.D.N.A. Dr. balance 1st Jan., 1876.....3,896 33	Charges.....5,219 87
Amount by which Bal. has been increased.....925 75	Town Lot No. 1249, W. R. CLARE, Street Lighting.....64 00
	Street Repairs.....2,647 50
	Street Repairs.....2,923 52
	Surveying Expenses.....1,627 34
	Quarantine.....2,755 41
	Sewerage.....490 80
	Donation.....170 88
	Legal Expenses.....687 40
	Interest.....10 20
	Office Furniture.....47 88
	Flag Staff and Flag Account.....72 10
	Provincial Government, Fines and Fees.....825 25
	Commission.....244 43
	Cash on hand.....\$57,810 57

The above is a correct Statement as shown by the Books of the Corporation as at 31st December, 1876.

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WILLIAM LEIGH, C. M. C.

EX PRINCESS ROYAL.

G. C. KEAYS,

IMPORTER AND DEALER IN

STOVES, TIN,

—AND—

SHEETIRON AND COPPERWIRE,

YATES STREET,

First floor below Langley & Co.'s.

HAS RECEIVED EX ABOVE VESSEL, from London.

168 lbs assorted Tin Plate,

105 lbs " Sheet Iron,

68 " Galvanized Sheet Iron,

43 " Ironwire, assorted,

6300 feet assd Galvanized Waterpipe,

13 casks Sheet Zinc, assorted,

12 rolls Sheet Lead, assorted,

Which he off sto the Trade at LOW PRICES.

— IN STOCK —

COOK, BOX & PARLOR STOVES,

And a general assortment of

Tin and Ironware,

FOR SALE AT A

Reduction of TEN per cent. on the Usual Prices.

WATER PIPES LAID, and general JOBBING attended to with neatness and dispatch. ja19

Fifth Provincial Exhibition

FIRST PRIZE FOR FOWLS

Marine Intelligence.

PORT OF VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

ENTERED.	
Jan. 29.—str Emma, Nainaimo	str Black Diamond, Nainaimo
str Anna Beck, Nainaimo	str North Pacific, Pt Townsend
CLEARED.	
Jan. 29.—str Grappler, Nainaimo	str Enterprise, New Westminster
str Maude, Nainaimo	str Beaver, Nainaimo
str Thompson, West Coast	str North Pacific, Pt Townsend
CONSIGNEES.	
Per str North Pacific, for Puget Sound—Jackson, D. L. Kevy, P.W. Co., Ed. G. S. F. J. Barnard, Mrs. Coyle, J. H. Kinsing.	

SALES TO-DAY.

J. P. DAVIES & CO. will sell at 11 o'clock, at sales room, the sloop Hamley, with sails, rigging, etc.

Municipal Police Court.

[Before Judge Courtney.]

MONDAY, Jan. 29th.

An Indian called Jimmy, drunk and using bad language on the public streets, was ordered to deposit \$10 to be of good behaviour; if not, a fortnight in gaol on short allowance.

A pretty looking halfbreed, dressed in the latest and most fashionable clothing, with pinback attachment of enormous width, was sent to prison for six hours for being drunk and disorderly.

A notorious Indian drunkard was ordered to deposit \$20 in gold coin to be of good behaviour or go to prison for one month on short allowance.

Several other Indian cases were disposed of and the Court adjourned.

Supreme Court.

[In Chambers.]

Yesterday an order issued by the Court for Mr. P. D. Forbes to appear and show cause why he should not be committed for contempt in not attending to its injunction with reference to parting with certain promissory notes held by him in connection with Leathers-Thorp transaction, had the effect of attracting quite a number of our citizens to hear the result.

The hearing fixed for 12 o'clock was deferred until three p.m., and subsequently postponed till Thursday, such postponement being necessary on account of the numerous affidavits forthcoming not being duly prepared.

Theatre Royal.

The "Long Strike" was presented last evening with new scenery and fine effect. Miss Annie Firmin enacted the pathetic role of Jane Learoyd, the factory girl, with wonderful power. The broad Lancashire dialect assumed by her was a perfect success, showing how the cultivated actress and lady may take the character of a peasant girl with ease and ability. As Noah Learoyd, Mr. Jack was powerful; his make-up was excellent, and the mad scene was one of the most effective of the evening. In the character of Lawyer Moneybags Mr. Jack was still better, and the scene between him and Jane at the office of the former, and the telegraph scene caused many to shed tears. Mr. Sawtelle's Johnny Reilly was played with much power and made a profound impression. The farce of "Jenny Lind," in which Miss Annie Firmin sang selections from operas most delightfully, and Mr. Jack took the part of Fritz with equal ability, closed the entertainment. This evening the "New Magdalen" will be presented.

The Arctic Expedition—A CONTRAST.

It was this week announced "that a ship recently arrived in the London docks from Bassein with two severe cases of scurvy. The Board of Trade have directed their medical adviser to hold an enquiry as to the cause of the outbreak." This affords rather a strong contrast to the course pursued by the Admiralty, who, on the arrival recently at Portsmouth of two ships of the Royal Navy, in which nearly every man, except the officers, had been crippled with scurvy, and two had died, immediately proceeded to promote the officers without further inquiry; and when a fortnight afterwards they asked the head of their medical department for a report, took especial care not to publish it, and have since persistently refused to produce it.—British Medical Journal, Dec. 16th.

CANADIAN SHEEP.—The Times says the idea of importing live sheep from Canada so as to make it a commercial success has been doubled. The present high price of mutton in England has, however, led several Canadian shippers to make the trial, with what success may be implied from the fact that from the first importation six weeks ago not less than 2,000 have been landed, and yesterday the Allan mail steamer Polynesia landed 250 in excellent condition.

SMALL BILLS.—We hope that the Government will apply to have some \$15,000 or \$20,000 in Dominion one and two dollar notes sent out. Their introduction would be a capital plan to stifle the silver nuisance, and would prove invaluable in the way of "small change," for which at present we have to depend on depreciated silver that is rapidly driving gold out of the country.

THE STEAMER NORTH PACIFIC ARRIVED FROM THE SOUND AT 2:30 P. M. YESTERDAY WITH ABOUT 35 PASSENGERS, AMONGST WHOM WERE MESSRS. HUNTINGTON, F. J. BARNARD AND J. JACKSON. SHE BROUGHT 5 SACKS OF MAIL, WELLS-FARGO'S EXPRESS, 190 SHEEP, 800 SACKS FLOUR AND A SMALL FRIGHT.

WADDINGTON ALLEY.—If the planks were raised in Waddington alley, and the thoroughfare gravelled, the atmosphere in the lower part of the town would be greatly sweetened thereby. As the alley stands now it is dangerous to the public health.

THE PRINCESS ROYAL.—This bark has discharged all her cargo in fine order and will start for Hastings to-morrow to load spars for London.

FOR CASSIAR.—A number of miners who have interests in Cassiar are outfitting. It is expected that the season will open unusually early there.

CARIBOO.—A telegram from Lightning Creek yesterday states that the Costello Company took out ninety ozs. last week.

Puget Sound.

(Seattle Dispatch.)

For some reason unknown to us, the powerful steam tug S. L. Mastick has been temporarily withdrawn from service, pursuant to a telegram to that effect from her owners in San Francisco. Meanwhile the other tugs are reaping a rich harvest.

The Oak Hill still continues aground at Eagle Harbor, and the tugs still continue to pull and haul at her without effect. Fortunately she is in such a position as not to be affected by ordinary winds.

(Olympia Courier.)

Dr. Sparling gave the patients of the Insane Asylum at Stoilacooma a social party on Monday evening last. They danced until about ten o'clock and then retired. Their invited guests also participated in the dance and they seemed to enjoy it all around.

A dispatch from Washington reports the confirmation of Gen. R. H. Milroy as Indian agent in this territory.

(Port Townsend Argus.)

We were favored last Tuesday with a call from Mr. Forbes, bridge contractor on the Puget Sound branch of the Northern Pacific Railroad. He speaks encouragingly of the prospects of the enterprise and of Tacoma. The houses of the old and new town are generally occupied, while new ones have been erected for incoming tenants. The road to the mines is to be completed and in operation on the first of July. As a consequence of this hopeful state of affairs lots in the new town have advanced rapidly in price, so that now it is not unusual to obtain \$450 apiece for them.

A beautiful little girl of three summers daughter of Mr. J. F. Sheehan, of this town, was drowned last Sunday morning. It appears that in crossing the yard she fell into a barrel of water left uncovered below the surface of the ground, and was not discovered until life has become extinct. Efforts were made to resuscitate the body and medical assistance procured, but all in vain. It is a sad blow to the fond parents, who have the sympathy of all who know them.

Capt. Louis Alexandre, of the Chilean ship Erminia Alvarez, died at Seabeck on the 22nd inst. of apoplexy.

(Intelligencer.)

ANOTHER.—Yesterday a young child of Mr. J. McConville, of the Wisconsin House, died in this city of diphtheria.

A number of young Seattle bloods entered a prominent saloon last evening, and throwing down the requisite cash said, "Give us a Tom and Jerry," "Can't," said the barkeeper. "Give us a hot Scotch, then," "Can't," again was the reply. "Well, give us a sherry cobbler," "Can't," retorted the man. "Well, what can you give us?" "Can't give you anything; you are under age." They left.

The Fatal Drop.

The Oregonian has the particulars of the execution of a young man named William Kay Neil, at Albany, Oregon, on the 26th inst. The prisoner spoke from the scaffold as follows:

"Ladies and Gentlemen: I am to be executed. I want you to listen to me. I have been improperly convicted. I ain't, I ain't, I feel I'm innocent of the charge against me; of anything proved against me. I was justifiable in what I did. I ain't, I ain't, I ain't guilty. I believe in the Lord Jesus Christ; that saves me now. I am ready to go now, I am. I did not do this murder of which I am charged. Now I am going to say that I think—"

The rope was then placed around his neck by the sheriff, when Neil added, "God help me," and in a moment more the trap door fell and Neil was launched into eternity. The rope proved to be too long. The toes of Neil reached the ground, and the sheriff and his deputy drew up two or three feet, and made it fast several minutes after the fatal drop. The physician, upon examination of the body, found the pulse had ceased beating and in ten minutes they pronounced life extinct. The murder was committed on the afternoon of Wednesday, Nov. 1st, in the town of Halsey. Neil was a resident of that place, and kept a saloon there. His victim, Mr. Seth W. Hayes, was likewise a resident of Halsey, and was one of the wealthiest, most prominent and peaceable citizens in that part of the country. Neil, it appears, kept a house which bore the reputation of being noisy and turbulent, and was a general rendezvous for persons of low, dissipated and vicious habits. Some complaint had been made by the more orderly and peace-loving residents of Halsey about the character of the saloon presided over by Neil. Mr. Hayes, it seems, had been among the most prominent in entering complaint against the place. This coming to Neil's ears, he became greatly enraged, and started out about 3 o'clock in the afternoon to find Mr. Hayes. He succeeded in finding the object of his wrath very soon. Mr. Hayes at the time was working at a well in a lot northwest of the saloon, when Neil approached, using very abusive language, but no attention being paid to him he became still more abusive. When Hayes stooped to adjust some part of the machinery with which he was working, Neil, supposing he was getting something with which to protect himself, stabbed him in the abdomen, and again in the left breast, and then attempted his escape across the fields, but was soon followed by a score of citizens, overtaken and arrested. After lingering in great agony until about 10 o'clock that evening, Mr. Hayes died.

AT REVOIR "KERNELL."—Late last evening a dispatch was received by a gentleman here from Oregon City which stated that Col. Thorp, who has recently acquired such a degree of notoriety over on the Sound, at Victoria and in Portland, boarded the express train yesterday afternoon at the machine shops. The supposition is that our portly "artificial stone man" has "skooted" for the hilarious city of San Francisco. If this presumption is correct we say, along with a host of the Colonel's admirers, ad revoir. At present writing we are unable to state positively whether some of the Colonel's friends intend to insist upon having the pleasure of his company a little longer or not.—Oregonian January 26th.

Mr. J. Huntington, of this city, returned from Portland last evening. He was paid his claim by the Colonel, and thinks the Portland people intend to bring him back. Some of the people there are out and injured to the amount of eighty or ninety thousand dollars.

THE TACOMA HERALD, a newspaper published at Tacoma, W. T., has just come to hand. It is well gotten up and is intended to advocate the interests of the town at which it is published.

Municipal Council.

MONDAY, Jan. 29.

At a special meeting of the City Council held last night, Coun. Williams, seconded by Coun. Finlayson, moved that the action of the late Council in discharging the Water Commissioner be endorsed. Carried.

A resolution was also passed requesting the Water Commissioner to refund \$50 per month from the 1st of June to the 30th of November, 1876. Carried.

Coun. Williams moved that Mr. Preece receive a month's notice from the 1st prox., that his services will not be required after the month of February. Carried.

Coun. Redfern moved that Mr. Russell in addition to his present duties keep the books of the Waterworks and collect the water rates, and that he be assisted in the latter duty by Mr. Partridge. Also, that Mr. Russell receive \$25 per month in addition to his present salary for the performance of these extra duties. Carried.

Coun. Williams moved that Mr. Partridge be paid \$10 per month in addition to his present salary for the extra duties imposed upon him. Carried.

The chairman said that Mr. Boscowitz had informed him that he was willing to allow the redemption of such Water Works Debentures as were on his hands.

As it appeared in the course of discussion upon the subject that some \$8000 was in hand to the credit of the sinking fund,

Coun. Trousseau moved that said funds should be employed for the re-purchase of such waterworks debentures as might be offered for sale. Carried.

Some debate took place respecting the desirability of retaining a watchman at the dam, in the course of which His Worship said that Mr. Dawson described the dam as a perfect sieve, but that it would not cost much time or money to repair it if the materials were once on the ground ready to go to work at the lowest stage of the water. It was decided that at present it was necessary to keep a watchman there.

City Surveyor Green's letter acknowledging receipt of appointment to the position of Water Commissioner and asking for further instructions was then read.

Coun. Turner moved that the Water Commissioner be instructed to prepare a scheme for the efficient carrying out of Sec. 13 of the Water Works Act, enforcing the collection of a rate from all improved lots abutting on the water pipes, said rate to be collectable in the event of the water not being taken. Carried.

Notice was given that at the next meeting of the Council a by-law would be passed imposing upon the City Surveyor the duties of Water Commissioner.

Coun. Jeffree moved that tenders be invited for the laying of service pipes, including labor and material. Carried.

The committee then rose, and His Worship having taken his seat as Mayor, the minutes of the committee were read and adopted and the Council adjourned until 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday.

STORM APPROACHING.—The Washington meteorologist reports that a storm is approaching the coast of Oregon and Northern California. Everything in this neighborhood should be made tight and fast.

THE steamer Gussie Telfair passed up the Straits to Port Townsend yesterday. As she has 80 tons of freight for Townsend she is not due here till this morning.

BOOKED.—The following passengers are booked for San Francisco: J. Cunningham, M.P., Miss L. Cunningham, Mrs. J. R. Robins and infant, Senator Macdonald, F. Neufelder.

[Advertisement.]

A CARD.

VICTORIA, Jan. 26.

EDITOR COLONIST:—The boy Frank Jesse who destroyed my child's right, when on trial, denied that he had boasted of the light treatment he received when first brought to court. Had he been under oath when he made this statement I would have endeavored to have had the case adjourned, as I think I could have proved that he had not only treated the matter lightly, but had boasted of the wrong he had done my child. While I am willing to show the boy all reasonable leniency, I do not believe in adding falsehood to crime.

GEO. MANSELL.

DR. JAMES

Has removed to Broughton street opposite the City Chambers. Philip James, M. D., Extracts Polypus and Cancer without the use of the knife. Rheumatism cured in one hour without pain.

MRS. JAMES, Midwife of long experience and successful practice in this city, is open to engagement with ladies to attend them at their home, or they can be accommodated at her residence.

N. B.—Special attention given to all diseases of women and children.

MINING CLAIM FOR SALE.—A FIRST-RATE CHANCE.—A good mining claim for sale on McDame Creek, Cassiar, the owner going into another business. For terms apply to Peter McDonald, Tobacconist, Yates street, next door to the Oriental Hotel.

WM. HAYNES, Bandmaster Militia, will give instruction in the theory of harmony at schools or residences. Processions, balls, private parties, &c., &c., furnished. Orders left at M. R. Smith's, Victoria Bakery, Fort street, will receive prompt attention.

PATRONIZED BY HER EXCELLENCY THE Countess of DUFFERIN.—Remember, if you want to save money in buying, selling, or trading goods of any description, new or second hand, furniture or wearing apparel included, call at Haggerty's store on DUFFERIN STREET, hitherto known as Store Street.

By Electric Telegraph.

EXCLUSIVE TO THE COLONIST.

SUNDAY'S DISPATCHES.

EUROPE.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 20.—Sir Henry Elliott, British Ambassador, left to-day. Baron Von Werther, German Ambassador, sail on Saturday.

Gen. Ignatieff's departure is still retarded by the temperature of the Black Sea.

PARIS, Jan. 26.—An official decree is promulgated to-day prohibiting the importation into or transit through France of horned cattle, sheep or goats from Germany, England, Austria or Turkey. Imports from other countries are allowed, subject to rigorous sanitary inspection.

Distressing accounts are received of scarcity of food in Pondicherry, and famine is considered imminent. The Government will demand credit of the Chambers for necessary relief.

Should Due de Cases, Minister of Foreign Affairs, resign from the Cabinet in consequence of disagreement with M. Simon, Minister of Justice and President of the Council, M. Simon will take the Foreign portfolio, and M. Bordeaux that of Minister of the Interior.

Following are the details of the proposed Russian memorandum: Russia will remind the European Powers that in consequence of the refusal of England, Austria and France to participate in the programme, Russia entered upon more direct individual intervention, and the Czar announced the intention to act alone if necessary to exact from Turkey what Russia knew could not be obtained otherwise.

Russia joined the Conference because of the pacific wishes of Europe, and so as to permit the Porte to show the full extent of its will Russia agreed to reduce her demands to a minimum. Henceforth Russia thinks herself entitled to reckon on the continued collective efforts of Europe, whose record for common ulterior action has not been destroyed by the conclusion of the Conference. The memorandum concludes by stating that Russia proposes shortly to submit a programme to which she hopes to obtain the adhesion of all the Powers.

CALIFORNIA.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 25.—Sailed—Bark Annie, Burrard Inlet.

LAST NIGHT'S DISPATCHES.

EASTERN STATES.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—Weather probabilities to-night say a disturbance is approaching the Coast of Oregon and northern California.

The House Committee on Commerce are at work preparing the annual river and harbor bill, but have not yet reached the consideration of Pacific Coast estimates.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., 27.—A fire to-night entirely destroyed the academy of music together with the adjoining building; loss will probably exceed \$125,000.

HARTFORD, Conn., Jan. 28.—A block on Ford street, in which was located the Plympton Manufacturing Co., May's Fur Manufacturing Co., and Geo. D. Bartlett, clothing, was totally destroyed by an incendiary fire this morning; loss, \$200,000.

ASIA.

TEHRAN, Jan. 27.—In view of England's neutrality the correspondent of the western associated press telegraphs that Persia is likely to observe a pacific policy towards Turkey unless great pressure is expressed by Russia.

EUROPE.

ROME, Jan. 27.—The Pope, indisposed since Sunday, was up to-day for an hour, and will endeavor to give audience to-morrow.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Independence Belge says the Czar being asked by Milan for advice, replies that peace was desirable and should be accepted from whatever quarter offered.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 28.—The Porte in accordance with the friendly advice of France and Austria, has requested Serbia and Montenegro to send delegates there to arrange for peace. It is thought the proposal will be accepted.

Gen. Ignatieff started for the Piraeus instead of Odessa on account of the stormy weather in the Black Sea.

Baron Von Werther, German Ambassador, and Count Somoroff, Austrian Ambassador, embarked for Tripoli on Saturday.

Midhat Pasha has notified the Turkish representatives abroad that an Imperial order has been issued throwing open military schools to Christians in accordance with the Constitution.

VIENNA, Jan. 27.—An important council of war will be held at Kishonoff Tuesday. All divisional commanders and chiefs of staff will attend.

PARIS, Jan. 26.—Temps announces that France has refused to furnish the Porte with officers for the gen d'armes.

A CARD.

"Honor to Whom Honor is Due." This certifies that Dr. R. Price has cured me from "Chronic Bronchitis" after other physicians have failed.

H. S. BUTLER.

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RECENT IMPORTATIONS OF SUPERFINE AND FANCY PAPERS, with envelopes to match. Pirie's extra thick vellum antique; Pirie's extra satin tinted pure Irish linen Papers. Poquet Paperette. Assorted tinted Linen, Silver Threads, Gainsborough, Brunswick, Peerless, Cunard, and others with their technical distinctions.

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THE BLARNEY STONE.—For sale, No. 7, 8, 9 and 10 cooking-toves, nearly new, parlor and office stoves, spring mattresses, marble top tables, carpets, large plate glass mirrors, bedding, navy serge boots and shoes, &c., &c., all of which will be sold forty per cent. under actual value to make room for a large consignment of goods about to arrive at Haggerty's Store on Dufferin street.

Dr. Cool begs to announce that he will leave Victoria for San Francisco by the Dakota to-day to procure all the improved appliances for the prosecution of his profession in this city. He will return by the same steamer on or about the 3d proximo.

Canadian Mail.

[PER STEAMER NORTH PACIFIC.]

OTTAWA, Jan. 11.—The destitution in this city is terrible. All public work are stopped and the working classes are on the verge of starvation. St. Vincent de Paul Society alone have over 150 families receiving relief.

Senator Skedd has fallen heir to considerable property, bequeathed by an uncle, recently deceased in England.

Gov. Letellier left last night for Quebec. It is now generally believed that Pelletier will succeed him in the Cabinet.

It is understood that the Government contemplates a reduction of the staff of Engineers, also the abolition of bonuses to the civil service, and will also decide not to increase the salaries in various departments.

HALIFAX, N.S., Jan. 11.—An extraordinary correspondence is going on between Mr. Blake and the Halifax barristers, the latter protesting against Mr. James' appointment to the Bench.

Mr. L. G. Power, son of Mr. P. Power, M. P. has been appointed to the Senate in the place of Sir Edward Kenny. Mr. L. G. Power is about thirty-six years of age, and is highly educated.

Toronto, Jan. 12.—The Governor-General had a drive through the city this morning, and this afternoon will be presented with an address by the Directors of the Mechanics' Institute. In the evening a ball will be given at Government House, for which a large number of invitations have been issued.

The Magistrate this afternoon rendered his decision in the Barber case, sentencing the prisoner to five years in the Penitentiary with hard labor.

Imports into Montreal were \$100,000 more for December, 1876, than for December, 1875.

The death of Mr. Hugh C. Thompson for many years Secretary of the Agricultural and Arts Association of Ontario, will be learned with regret.

At two o'clock this afternoon the Governor-General was presented with an address in the City Hall by the Mayor on behalf of the corporation and citizens. After tendering His Excellency a hearty welcome and expressing their high appreciation of the honor of this his third visit to the City, the address went on to say that these presenting it found in the high services which His Excellency had rendered and the opportunities he had consistently afforded them of appreciating his generous, hospitable and benevolent qualities an excuse for again troubling him with a formal but most hearty expression of their feelings. The address concluded with a wish that the visit to Toronto would be attended with pleasure to himself and the Countess, and an avowal of profound devotion to Her Majesty.

His Excellency and Lady Dufferin are now holding a reception the Council Chamber. A large number of citizens are in attendance. This evening a dinner party will be given at Government House.

OTTAWA, Jan. 10.—M. Ladlamme has returned to this city.

General Selby Smythe and Captain Smythe, A.D.C., leave to-night for Toronto.

Prof. Selwyn, of the geological survey is in town.

Victoria (Australia) Railways.

The report of the Railway Department upon the working of the State lines up to the end of June last is an imposing document, which professes to afford information not only as to the extent of the traffic but upon the more important point whether the railways are profitable investments, a question which the Report furnishes no satisfactory data for answering, as it deals only with the debenture capital which we have borrowed, and takes no account of the capital which we have from time to time spent from the annual revenue. The total amount which authority has been given to raise by loan is £13,503,693, and we have actually raised £12,107,000, on which the average rate of interest is a little over 5½ per cent., amounting to £676,350 a year. The net earnings of the lines now open reach £495,360, so that the railways in their present condition entail an annual loss of £180,990, which is made good out of the general revenue. When the Beechworth line, in which a large part of the borrowed capital has been sunk, is opened for traffic, the net earnings will be considerably enlarged. This cannot be done until the route by which the ten miles between Oakleigh and Melbourne are to be traversed has been finally determined. For the last three months negotiations have been on foot between the Government and the directors of the Melbourne and Hobson's Bay Railway Company for the purchase of the company's line, which supplies the most direct access to Oakleigh, and yesterday instructions were given to the solicitors on both sides to prepare and settle an agreement embodying the terms of the contract into which they are prepared to enter subject to the ratification of Parliament and of the shareholders. The terms have not been disclosed, but it is known that the basis of purchase is so much per share between a fixed maximum and minimum, the exact price within these limits to be ascertained by arbitration with reference to the condition of the works and the amount necessary to put them in good order. The return to which I have referred shows a satisfactory increase in the railway income, particularly in the passenger rates, which are far more profitable than the rates for goods. In fact, a large part of the carrying business barely pays expenses, and though the reduction in the freight tariff made by Mr. Woods when Minister of Railways brought in more custom than before, the custom was not worth having, and changed profit into loss without conferring any compensating benefit.—Cor. London Times.

A MAN was landed at the ferry dock yesterday dripping wet, and shivering till the rattle of his teeth could be heard forty feet away. When taken into a saloon to thaw out, some one passed around the hat, remarking that the victim was a poor man. The man to whom the hat came first called out, "Where was it that you fell into the river?" "Oh the Canadian side," was the reply. "Then not one cent can you get from me!" continued the man. "It's every true patriot's duty to succor those who fall into American waters, but I'll be hanged if I'm going to help run two countries!" And the collection amounted to only four cents.—Detroit Free Press.

Brown's Matrimonial Method.

"Brown, I don't see how it is that your girls all marry off as soon as they get old enough, while none of mine can marry?"

"Oh! that's simple enough. I marry my girls off on the buckwheat straw principle."

"But what is that principle. I never heard of it before."

"Well, I used to raise a good deal of buckwheat, and it puzzled me to know how to get rid of straw. Nothing would eat it, and it was a great bother to me. At last I thought of a plan. I sowed my buckwheat straw nicely and built a high rail fence around it. My cattle, of course, concluded that it was something good, and at once tore down the fence and began to eat the straw. I dogged them away and put up the fence a few times, but the more I drove them away the more anxious they became to eat the straw. After this had been repeated a few times the cattle determined to eat the straw, and eat it they did, every bit of it. As I said, I marry my girls off on the same principle. When a young man that I don't like begins calling on my girls I encourage him in every way I can. I tell him to come often and stay as late as he pleases, and I take pains to hint to the girls that I think they'd better set their caps for him. It works first-rate. He don't make many calls, for the girls treat him as coolly as they can. But when a young fellow I like comes around, a man that I think would suit me for a son-in-law, I don't let him give many calls before I give him to understand that he isn't wanted around my house. I tell the girls, too, that they shall not have anything to do with him, and give them orders never to speak to him again. The plan always works first-rate. The young folks begin to pity each other, and the next thing I know they are engaged to be married. When I see they are determined to marry I always give in and pretend to make the best of it. That's the way I manage it."—Dubuque Telegraph.

THIS DAY.

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General Abstract,
SHOWING the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets, within the Pro-
vince of British Columbia, of the Bank of British North America, taken
from the usual Weekly Statements during the Quarter ending 30th Dec.,
1876:

Liabilities.	Assets.
Notes in circulation not bearing interest.....\$123,335 00	Legal Tender Coin in Gold and Silver.....\$ 79,413 25
Balances due to other Banks and Branches..... 15,062 13	Gold Bullion..... 22,146 37
Deposits not bearing interest..... 125,004 43	Notes and Cheques of other Banks..... 2,772 00
Deposits not bearing interest..... 400,316 00	Landed and other Property..... 15,000 00
Interest..... 400,316 00	Balances due from other Banks & Branches..... 453,092 10
Total amount of Liabilities.....\$725,217 56	Am't of all other Debts due to the Bank..... 171,210 00
	Total amount of Assets.....\$746,639 78

Amount of Capital Stock paid up at the close of the Quarter ending 30th Dec., 1876.....\$5,000,000
Rate of the last Dividend declared to the Shareholders..... 6 per cent per annum
Amount of last Dividend declared for half year.....\$150,000
Amount of the Reserved Profits at the time of declaring said Dividend.....\$1,188,130
[Signed] J. GOODFELLOW, Manager.
VICTORIA, B.C., 30th Dec., 1876. ANDREW B. RITCHIE, Act'g Accountant.

I, JOHN GOODFELLOW, do hereby declare, that to the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing Ab-
stract is a true and faithful account of the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets within this Province of the
above Bank during the period specified, and that the same was made up from the Weekly Statements thereof,
kept in pursuance of the provisions of the "Banking Act, 1864."
[Signed] J. GOODFELLOW, Manager.
Declared before me at Victoria, this 10th day of Jan., 1877. A. J. LANGLEY, J. P.

General Abstract
SHOWING the average amount of Liabilities and Assets of the Bank of British Col-
umbia, within the Province of British Columbia and its Dependencies, taken
from the several weekly statements, for the Quarter ending 30th Dec., 1876.

Liabilities.	Assets.
Notes in Circulation.....\$209,547 00	Legal tender coin in Gold and Silver.....\$107,478 91
Balances due to other Banks and Branches..... 9,556 15	Gold and Silver Bullion..... 28,911 76
Deposits not bearing interest.....\$304,821 97	Landed and other Property..... 28,454 08
Deposits bearing interest..... 58,593 31	Balances due from other Banks and Branches..... 194,883 30
Total amount of Liabilities.....\$1,012,548 63	All debts due to the Bank, including Notes, Bills of Exchange, and all Stock and Fund- ed Debts of every description, excepting Notes, Bills and Balances due from other Banks and Branches..... 586,244 51
	Total amount of Assets.....\$1,308,972 86

Amount of Capital Stock paid up at close of Quarter ending 31st Dec., 1876.....\$1,730,000 00
Rate of last Dividend declared to the Shareholders..... 5 per cent. per annum
Amount of last Dividend declared.....\$86,500 00
Amount of Reserved profit after declaring such Dividend.....\$ 167,805 00
[Signed] WM. C. WARD, Manager.
VICTORIA, B.C., 31st Dec., 1876. CHAS. S. JONES, Accountant.

I, WILLIAM C. WARD, do hereby declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing
statement is a true and faithful account of the average amount of the Liabilities and Assets within this Pro-
vince of this Bank during the period specified, and that the same was made up from the Weekly Statements
thereof, kept in pursuance of the provisions of the "Banking Act, 1864."
[Signed] WM. C. WARD.
Declared before me at Victoria, B.C., this 22d day of Jan., 1877. A. C. ELLIOTT, J. P.

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1876.	1875.
A House and Improvements.....\$4,495 06	Land..... 850 00
Furniture..... 1,010 93	Savings Bank, on deposit..... 1,742 92
Cash on Hand..... 221 38	Total Assets.....\$6,300 29
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Victoria, Sept. 17, 1875 my5

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MAILS.	ARRIVE.	CLOSE.
Canada, Great Britain } Europe, and U. S. } via San Francisco	About the 3d, 13th, and 23d of each month.	On the 10th, 20th, & 30th of each month, at 10 A.M.
Do. via Tacoma.....	Monday and Thursday 3 P.M.	Tuesday at 9.30 A.M. and Thursday at 6 P.M.
Australia, New Zealand, Sandwich Islands and Pitca Islands.	Irregular dates of arrival...	In time to connect with mail steamer leaving San Francisco every 4th Saturday from Apr 24.
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Barkerville, and Interme- diate offices.	Wednesday 3 P.M.....	Monday at 6 P.M.
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Comox and intermediate offices.	Every alternate Friday at 5 P.M.	Every alternate Monday at 6 P.M.
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Wines, Liquors and Cigars of the Best
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None but the very best (directly imported) Wines,
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THE UNDERSIGNED HAS PURCHASED
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Best Wines, Liquors and Cigars
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Has now been leased to the undersigned, who will
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None but the Best of Wines, Liquors
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At rates which he is confident will be deemed moder-
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THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING LEASED THE Vic-
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